need for obtaining certificate and registration from the Office of the Textile Commissioner, Mumbai, and (iv) launched the Technology Mission on Cotton with four Mini Missions with the objectives of increasing production and productivity, reducing costs and improving its quality.

Allocation to Andhra Pradesh under NPDP

2777. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount allocated and released to Andhra Pradesh under the National Pulses Development Project (NPDP), during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) the districts covered under NPDP in the State, area of coverage and production of pulses during the said period; and

(c) to what extent production of pulses in the State under NPDP has increased?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) The amount allocated and released to Andhra Pradesh under the National Pulses Development Project (NPDP) during the last three years is given below:

(Rs. in lakh)

Year	Allocation	Release
1999-2000	105.00	105.00
2000-2001	91.00	91.00
2001-2002	91.00	87.00

(b) Twenty two districts are covered under National Pulses Development Project (NPDP) in the State of Andhra Pradesh. The list of districts is given in the Statement enclosed. *(See* below). The area of coverage and production of pulses during the last three years is given below:

Year	Area ("000"ha.)	Production ("000" tonnes)
1998-99	1587.0	827.0
1999-2000	1644.0	800.2
2000-2001	1797.1	859.3

(c) The production of pulses in the State of Andhra Pradesh in the year 1988-89 was 692.00 thousand tonnes and in the year 2000-01, it **has** increased to 859.3 thousand tonnes. Therefore with the implementation of NPDP scheme the production of pulses in the State of Andhra Pradesh increased by 167.3 thousand tonnes, thus registering an increase of 24.17% during the period.

Statement

List of Districts of Andhra Pradesh under National Pulses Development Project

STATE: ANDHRA PRADESH

DISTRICT:

1. Adilabad
2. Anantapur
3. Chittoor
4. Cuddapah
5. East Godavari
6. Guntur
7. Karimnagar
8. Khammam
9. Krishna
10. Kumool
11. Mahboobnagar
12. Medak
13. Nalgonda
14. Nellore
15. Nizamabad
16. Prakasam
17. Rangareddy
18. Srikakulam
19. Visakhapatnam
20. Viziangaram
21. Warangal
22. West Godavari